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## **DETAILED ACTION**

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- 1. The Amendments and Applicants' Remarks filed on July 27, 2004 are acknowledged.
- 2. Claims 1-23 are currently pending in this application. Claim 23 has been newly added.
- 3. Upon further consideration, a Restriction requirement is issued as follows:

## Election/Restrictions

4. Claims 1-23 are generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species of a reflective article. The election of an ultimate species of the reflective article, wherein the chemical composition of each layer is identified, is required for search purposes:

A/ the amorphous thermoplastic resin in the substrate;

B/ the reflective metal layer; and

C/ the haze-prevention layer.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species, even though this requirement is traversed.

5. Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

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6. A telephone call was made to Mr. Michael Buchanan on October 5, 2004 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

- 7. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).
- 8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thao T. Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-1080. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, from 8:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Seidleck can be reached on 571-272-1078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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